



## SURENESS

By Commissioner Howard, Chief of The Staff

*"The work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness, quietness, and assurance ever." (Isaiah 32:17.)*

parody of the verse, by making it read:

"Tis a point I long to know,  
Of it causes anxious thought;  
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Uncertainty about our religious condition is quite as unsatisfactory as any doubt about our most sacred domestic relationships. Sureness is vital to peace, and the truly sanctified soul will live in the region of certainty. Divine things, and Divine revelations becoming definite and real to him. Temptations to doubt and fear will arise; but, in spite of them, those who are sanctified realize that the blood cleanses and the Holy Spirit dwells within.

I will not ask whether you have any religion or not, because most of you are professors of religion, but I do ask, Has your religion got this element of "sureness" in it? We will, therefore, glance together at several things about which you can either say, "It is so," or "It is not so," and thus arrive at a reasonable conclusion as to where you are. I will classify the evidence in this way:

First, there is the testimony of one's own consciousness, or of one's own spirit, as Paul puts it. Second, there is the testimony of the Spirit of God, the Holy Ghost. Third, there will be the results manifest to ourselves and to others; effects which testify just as reliably as the hanging fruit indicates the character and condition of any particular tree.

By the first class of evidence I do not mean a set of fanciful sensations, or frames of feeling, but such an exercise of our judgment, when we examine the facts before us, as will enable us to come to a sound and reasonable conclusion.

The witness of one's own spirit is

largely a matter of consciousness and faith, and it works like this: "I am not only conscious of God's revealed claims upon me, and my own duty to Him; but, as far as I understand, I have put myself in line with what He wants me to be and do. For instance, I am told that whilst God will sanctify me, I am able to sanctify myself. I therefore ask: 'Have I so far co-operated with Him as to come out and separate myself from evil?' If I am right I can say, 'Yes, I have'; and, as a further evidence of my sincerity, I seek to abstain from all appearance of evil."

## Acceptable Service.

I am also commanded to present myself for practical and joyful service, and I am told that I must believe such a service is acceptable because whatever touches the Divine altar is holy. Now, I can be quite sure as to my compliance with these demands, and my willingness to live as a sanctified soul ought to live. I know whether or not in these things I have done my part; and, if I know that I have, I can then reasonably trust God or rely on Him to do His part. That is what Paul calls "a good conscience towards God," and there is no presumption in such a conclusion.

If we turn to John's Epistle we shall see how plainly he puts the truth about assurance. "If," says the Apostle, "your heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and we know all things; but, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence towards God." Without this conscious sincerity it is useless to pray for the blessing for God cannot sanctify us whilst we are clinging to any known wrong or compounding with some doubtful habit or folly. If, on the other hand, we are conscious that we have no reserves, and accept by faith the cleansing blood as the cure for our

heart's plague, we may with soberness say, "I have done my own part." Let us look at the second class of evidence, namely, the testimony of the Spirit of God—the witness of the Holy Ghost.

If we are to be quite certain the important things in religion, the soul, we must have the witness of God's mind and will. Nothing is made clearer in the Apostolic writings than the fact that the witness of the Spirit is this: Divine privilege to be only testifies that "the Spirit is the witness within us, and the witness of the Spirit is the witness of the Spirit." We have received the Spirit, which is of God; that might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

## The Spirit's Witness.

On first thought, we might perhaps think that the gift would be for itself. But the Lord goes beyond that by giving us not only blessing itself, but also the assurance that we have got the blessing. John is on the same line when he says repeatedly about the witness of the Spirit, "we know," and "we are sure," and "we are confident." The witness of the Spirit which He has given to us.

When we speak of the witness of the Spirit, either to our comfort or our sanctification, we mean some audible voice or some inward demonstration, but the inward demonstration is the inward witness of the Spirit, which is the witness of the Spirit which He has given to us.

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## BLOCKING THE TRAFFIC.

An Incident Observed by an Australian Officer, and Some Observations Thereon.

"I was recently walking down a certain street in Sydney," writes Captain Brett, "when I noticed a sudden block in the traffic. Electric trams, hansom cabs, motor-cars, and every other kind of conveyance were held up for some distance along the street.

"What is the matter?" people asked. "Is anyone hurt? Has there been an accident?" And the crowd grew thicker every moment.

"At last we learnt the cause of this tangle. The driver of a Brewey's lorry was drunk, and being unable to drive in his incapacitated condition, according to the rule of the road, he had tied up all traffic, and for a few moments it seemed as if an accident was unavoidable. But two of Sydney's best policemen appeared on the scene, and took charge of the team and the driver. It would be difficult to find a better advertisement of what Jesus does for a man and through him."

How great a blockade one man's sin caused. So it is with all sin—it blocks the course of righteousness and causes confusion. The man

who walks in the way of righteousness and observes the rule of the road—the commandments of God—will find everything conducive to world peace and effective service to God and man. But let this man once become disobedient, and he will once cause confusion.—Australian "War Cry."

## A SURPRISED SAILOR.

Treated Well by Army on First Trip to New York.

Adjutant Larkin is always on the look-out for soldiers and sailors who are in need of advice and assistance. Coming from the Grand Continent a few days ago he met a seaman—and the seaman was a Frenchman—coming from the North-West. The boy was covered with dust and dirt from travelling, and brought him to his office, where he was given a chance to wash up. A nice luncheon was prepared for him, and the fellow seemed delighted over the kindness shown him. He said good-bye while boarding his boat bound for Boston, he said he would always remember the interest taken in him by The Salvation Army on his first trip through New York.—"Social News."

London Record.

## THE WAR RELIEF FUND

\$50,000 Wanted to Help Those in Need Who Have no Claim on the Patriotic Funds

Why Canadian Salvationists Should Send \$25,000 to The General

4.—To Help Suffering Salvationists and Others in the British Isles

THIS is the last appeal to Salvationists in connection with the \$50,000 War Fund.

During this month we shall show why Salvationists should send \$25,000 to The General. These are some of the reasons:—

I. THE GENERAL AND THE INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS ARE IN SORCERIES.

We have shown how that when the Army in Canada has been up against financial difficulties, The General has hastened to The Army's aid with British sovereigns and dollars. The situation is reversed. Canada is comparatively rich and prosperous. Shall not we reciprocate? One good turn deserves another. We ask all Officers to give a week's salary, and every Salvationist to give a dollar if he or she can give more, and give it now. The Officers are responding nobly.

II. UNLESS THINGS ALTER THE GENERAL IS AFRAID THAT HE WILL HAVE TO SHUT THE DOORS OF THE SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

Our \$25,000 would keep going for twelve months the Institutions in which are housed the children, the sick, and the old people. It would also help to succour our Salvationist comrades, among the English, the French, and other



MOTHER'S DESPERATE EFFORT TO QUIETEN STARVING CHILDREN'S CRY FOR FOOD. (See Page 2.)

countries where the forces have been mulcted, where money is stringent and distress is piteous. There are Rescue Homes for Women, and Homes and Shelters for Homeless Men, and because the in-

come of International Headquarters has well-nigh stopped, it is inevitable that they will be closed unless we can help to avert such a terrible calamity to our British relatives. Soldiers, your personal gift

## Prisoners of War Visited

SOME-SICK BELGIAN SOLDIERS, INTERNED IN HOLLAND, BLESSED BY SALVATIONISTS.

Several parties of Belgian and German soldiers have during the war crossed into Holland, and as a result, have been interned as prisoners of war.

We have now received word that these men are not being forgotten by Salvationists in that country. Captain and Mrs. Lebbink, the officers stationed at Leeuwarden, the camp for the prisoners, have been placed at their disposal by the military authorities.

Presenting the Commandant's permit to the officer in charge, the Captain and his wife were allowed to enter the camp, and they were warmly welcomed by the prisoners. They were calling out to each other, "Armed du Salut," for the uniform, notwithstanding the Dutch badges

and hands, was at once recognized as that of The Salvation Army.

When the Salvationists replied to their greetings in their own language, their surprise and joy knew no bounds, and in less time than it takes to tell, the Belgians had formed a ring of excited and overjoyed men, listening to the Captain as he explained his mission.

In the course of their visit to each tent, they found that the prisoners came from all parts of Belgium; some had been Government officials, some tradesmen, one was a lawyer, another the owner of a factory, but all were lonely, homesick, and sad, although loud in their praise of the treatment which they are receiving in Holland. Time dragged wearily and slowly on the hands of all, in spite of occasional recreation, and the washing of clothes, and darning of socks.

Some had heard nothing of their wives and families, and others had broken their hearts over failures and mothers of whom they could

get no tidings.

One said: "Oh, we see people enough and have visits enough, though the people don't speak our language; but to-day it does us good to hear you speak to us in our mother tongue."

After all had been visited, a meeting was held in the middle of the camp. The guitar was tuned up and some beautiful Salvation Army songs were sung in French, to the delight of the music-loving Belgians. The Dutch military men had also gathered round for the meeting, and at the request of one of them, the service was interspersed with Dutch, and a very blessed and long-to-be-remembered service was held.

Then the Officers, with a "bon courage" to all the Belgians, left the camp and a perfect storm of "so revoir" "au revoir," and "Come again soon."

So were the Belgian prisoners of war cheered and blessed in their loneliness, and we trust, led to look to God for help and comfort.

ONE reason why I glory in teaching Full Salvation is that it includes a religion of certainty. It brings a man to a place of sureness as to his religious relationships. A soul just awakened to a sense of responsibility is naturally full of wonderment and anxiety, and this must be disposed of. So that when we speak of a man obtaining Salvation, we say "he found peace."

Doubt is torment, and torment is the opposite of peace. The soul cannot rest if it is perpetually on the spring. To enjoy religion, the mind must be settled about the main facts of the case; there must be a feeling of sureness as to one's acceptance with God and His approval of our spiritual condition.

We have a wily old devil to deal with, and I believe that nothing gives him more malicious delight than to get sincere souls into the bondage of fear as to their state and standing. I believe many sincere souls hesitate to claim blessing, and say they have it, because they are afraid of deluding themselves or delecting others by their testimonies.

Afraid to do right for fear of doing wrong, they go on sometimes happy, sometimes sad, falling into discouragement and doubt, and allowing the devil to get an advantage over them in this respect.

Now, we cannot dispute the fact that in the experience of good people there are many points of difference. Temptations, circumstances, sins, position, and work are the cause of these differences. But in the midst of all, there is the possibility and blessed privilege of being sure about one's own righteousness before God.

## A Parody.

I saw a reference the other day to Charles Spurgeon's method of treating this matter. He showed how disturbing and distressing it would be if, in our domestic life, we had elements of uncertainty such as many people have in regard to their spiritual relationships.

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THE WEEK'S BEST STORY  
SELECTED FROM THE ARMY'S PRESS

## A Mother's Desperate Strategy

WAVED TABLECLOTH TO MAKE CRYING CHILDREN THINK A MEAL WAS COMING—THE SALVATION ARMY TO THE RESCUE.

THE sort of misery which follows in the wake of war, and which is coming under the notice of The Salvation Army almost every day now, was revealed last week to a Field Officer who labours in a popular district in North-East London.

In a back street, involved by any possessing the means to help except the over-vigilant Salvationist. The Officer came across a woman who confessed, in reply to a few tactful questions, that she had no food of any kind in the house.

Being asked in North-East London, she made a few feeble inquiries, and found that there were nine children in the family, and another little one expected shortly. The husband was out of work, and things being as they are, had no present prospect of getting any, though he had tried until he was weary, sick, and utterly disheartened.

With nine hungry mouths around her and an empty cupboard to mock her, the poor mother, herself in need of special nourishment, was driven almost to distraction by the insistent demands of the children for "something to eat."

Being unable to satisfy them, the mother resorted to strategy. She waved the tablecloth above the heads of the children, and made as though she would spread a meal as though they incessantly crying for food by encouraging the belief that something was coming.

This ruse, of course, would not answer often, and the situation was getting desperate when The Salvation Army Officer appeared on the scene.

Food was at once procured, and the immediate needs of the famished family met.—British "Cry."









## NOTES AND REFLECTIONS

On Oct. 8th and 9th, Major Bannister visited Westville. He gave an illustrated lecture entitled "The Congress of the Nations," on Thursday, and on Friday night he conducted a public meeting.

# MANY PRISONERS OF WAR TAKEN

## Stubborn Resistance in Some Quarters But Hand-to-Hand Fighting is Irresistible

### MANY ADVANCES MADE.

Captain and Mrs. Parsons Farewell from Chester (Toronto).

On Sunday, Oct. 24th, Captain and Mrs. Parsons farewelled. During their stay twenty-eight soldiers have been added to the rolls; we have sent three comrades to the American Field and three to the Training College; a Sergeant Page has been promoted; the Band has increased from seven to seventeen, and eight new instruments have been purchased.

The comrades entertained them to a supper on Thursday night, and an entertainment was given after which the Captain came home, two comrades.

On Saturday night we welcomed the new Girl Cadets. Sunday meetings were conducted by our new leaders, Adjutant Clayton and Captain Wright, and at least three souls surrendered.—W. G. S.

### A SURPRISE BANQUET.

Adjutant and Mrs. Parsons Leave St. John for Woodstock N.B.

We have farewelled Adjutant and Mrs. Parsons after a stay of over two weeks. Before leaving the soldiers and friends arranged a surprise banquet, and on Wednesday night when the Adjutant opened the door he found a hall prepared and the comrades waiting to commence.

Mrs. Brigadier Taylor, Treasurer Egan, Sergeant-Major Rigg, Brother Officer and Brother J. B. McInyre spoke, to which Adjutant and Mrs. Parsons suitably replied.

On Thursday, as the train was leaving, a large number of comrades were at the station to wish them God-speed.—Com.

### FIRST MONTHLY CONCERT.

Major Hiv Farewelled from Montreal Social Department.

On Monday, Oct. 5th, we had Captain Thompson and Lieutenant Jones with the Verdun Corps and Egan with us for the first of our Monthly Concerts.

On Friday, Oct. 9th, Major and Mrs. Hiv and family farewelled at a tea and social gathering of the Officers and employees of the Metropolitan and Industrial Department. Adjutant and Mrs. Thompson and family, who were well, and took the train.—Sergeant Nicholson.

### SWIFT CURRENT, SASK.

On Oct. 6th Brigadier McLean and Staff-Captain Peacock paid us a visit. At seven p.m. the children gathered to hear the Staff-Captain, who is an adept in handling the Young People's Work.

In spite of the windy weather an open-air was held, and many joined in the "single-step" march to the inside meeting. The Band was given. The Brigadier spoke and after an inspiring session of song and testimony, the meeting closed.

### SONGSTERS COMMISSIONED.

Staff-Captain Elliot Visits Lindsay, Ontario.

On Friday, Oct. 9th, we were visited by Staff-Captain Elliot, who conducted our Holiness meeting. During the meeting Sisters Little Moore, Mary Henderson, Mrs. Chas. Lindsay, Nellie Gordon and Edith Steward were commissioned as Songsters. Brothers Jos. Cavill, Will Maslin and John Agnew as Treasurers, and Brother Wm. Whitehead as Sergeant-Major.—C. C.

### A UNITED GATHERING.

Lieut-Colonel Turner at St. John's, Newfoundland.

Through a recent Saturday evening, a man who had been in prison, surrendered. We have had a couple of remarkable cases of conversion, and they are doing well.

We had with us on Sunday, Oct. 4th, Lieut-Colonel Turner, and three of the St. John's Corps, and the meeting was led by Colonel Turner. Brigadier and Mrs. Moore, and Major Cave. The building was filled to its utmost capacity, and after the Colonel had spoken, two souls surrendered.—Cadet.

### SHOWING HIS COLOURS.

A Prince Albert, Sask. Comrade Preaches to 12-18ers.

Brother Henderson, a comrade of the Prince Albert, Sask. Corps, is away in the outfitting districts doing breaking work. In his spare time, which is very limited, he is keeping the flag flying by holding indoor and outdoor meetings and reports a number of cases of conversion. He raised a good collection for the Harvest Festival, and has been invited to conduct Army meetings in several churches, including Ottawa, Adversity and Menominee. May God bless his efforts.

### FERNIE, B.C.

On Sept. 26th and 27th we had with us Captain Carter. In the evening meeting the Bandmen sang: "There is a Green Hill Far Away."

On Tuesday evening we had with us Staff-Captain and Mrs. White. They arrived at nine o'clock—the train was late—and the Staff-Captain gave a short address. Mrs. White also spoke. God bless them in their new appointment.

The following weekend, we had with us Brigadier Green, and on Sunday afternoon to give us "Jobbies from the Congress."

Captain McLean and Lieutenant Murray, our Officers, are working hard.—Bandman P. Rutledge.

### COBBOURG, ONT.

Our open-air on Sunday evening was the largest for the year, for thirty-nine comrades out of a total of forty-two Soldiers and Recruits, attended. Can this be beaten by any other Corps?

### AN ICE CREAM SOCIAL.

Corps Cadets Lead Meeting at Ottawa, Ont.

On Monday evening, Oct. 4th, Corps Cadet Gaudin Mrs. Balsam and the Cadets had charge of the meeting. The Cadets singing was good, and Cadet Annie Smith recited "The Drummer Boy." Very nice! Young People's Songster, Major Mrs. Dargy gave a helpful address, and Sergeant Hogg recited. Cadet Minnie Vaitch's recitation and singing were well applauded, and the Junior Band's playing was much admired. Brigadier Miller read the lesson, and gave an address. On Wednesday evening, Oct. 7th, the meeting was an ice cream social, which was a success. Mrs. Adjutant Ritchie presented the highest collectors for the Harvest Festival with prizes, a debt by Helen Sammons and Record Sergeant Geo. Bowman was well rendered.

### SIX REBELS YIELD.

Successful Harvest Festival at Vancouver, B.C.

Our Harvest Festival Services have been a success. Our Sunday afternoon meeting was led by Staff-Captain and Mrs. White, who have farewelled. Adjutant Bricker, who was introduced by the Staff-Captain, was given a hearty welcome. The evening meeting was led by Adjutant Dene and an Envoys from New Zealand was present. Captain Dray, who gave a good testimony, was also introduced.

A short programme preceded the sale of produce on Monday night, which was a success. Our Harvest Festival target is smashed. Six souls surrendered during our Harvest Festival meetings.—R. S.

### MANY SURRENDER.

Work Progressing Well at St. James (Winnipeg).

A comrade came forward for Holiness on Sunday, Sept. 27th. At night Mrs. Captain Ainslie read the lesson.

Our services on Sunday, Oct. 4th, were aided with sorrow, owing to the death of Sister Head. Captain Ainslie also spoke, and two persons came forward.—C. H. R.

### BERLIN, ONT.

Lieut-Colonel Taylor and Cadet Cadet were with us last weekend, and on Sunday evening after an inspiring talk by the Colonel, six souls surrendered.

The meeting on Tuesday night was conducted by our Officers, and during the testimonies Sergeant-Major Mercer related how he had, on one occasion, been a poor backslider, and after conversing with him in his room, the man had sought pardon.—P. R.

### ST. JOHN'S.

Officers of St. John's.

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### HEARTS.

Brother A. S. Brooks.

The Soldiers and Staff-Captain were very quiet little wedding place at the home of the bride, Mrs. A. S. Brooks. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Johnson, and after the happy couple, with friends, partook of a feast.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson, on behalf of the bride, member of his own congregation, who has been the People's Sergeant, Mr. Johnson, was well attended.

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### WE LAY DOWN ARMS.

Harvest Festival Meetings at Cornwall, Ont.

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Lawson conducted the singing on Sunday last, and after afternoon Free-and-Easy held, Captain Daniels met Bandmen and held a special meeting.

### PLANS OF ATTACK.

Comrades Discuss Winter's Work.

On Sunday, Sept. 20th, we had a soldiers' meeting, and a good partook of the repeat programme. After roll call, the Banding Officer, Captain Daniels, outlined his plan of battle for the winter.

The Sergeant-Major, Young People's Songster, and Treasurer spoke, and the band had a few words about their finances. A few brief words of songs brought the night to a close.

On Saturday and Sunday, Ensign was with us, and two souls were won on Sunday night.—H.

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### HALL RE-CHRISTENED.

Estevan Comrades Take Possession of Roman Catholic Church.

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### LIFE AT THE CAMP.

New Glasgow Comrade Gives His Experiences at Valcartier.

We have farewelled Bandman J. Griffiths and welcomed Sister Mrs. Warwick. Brother Harry Baigent, who has recently returned from Valcartier, gave an address on camp life on Sunday, Sept. 27th.

Staff-Captain Byers was with us recently, and after a routing address, a sister, who has been holding out for a long time, surrendered.

Major Barr was with us last weekend, and gave his illustrated lecture "The Congress of Nations."—J. L. B.

### THREE SEEK PARDON.

Major and Mrs. Moore at Edmonton, I. Corps.

Our meetings were conducted this weekend by Major and Mrs. Moore. Mrs. Moore spoke at our afternoon meeting and three souls surrendered on Sunday, Sept. 27th.

Adjutant Hargrove has been busy collecting donations of money and goods, and has been successful in his efforts. Several men are already using the Institution. May God bless our efforts.—N. S.

### BOXER AND DRUNKARD.

Colour-Sergeant Russell, of the Bradford Band, was with us on Oct. 10th and 11th, and led the meetings. His address on "The Poorer's Life" was listened to with rapt attention. Our Band was present in several other very interesting addresses.

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On Wednesday, Oct. 14th, we had our Harvest Festival services, and smashed our target of one hundred and forty dollars. On Thursday, Oct. 15th, we had a good crowd at our programme given by the Young People's Songsters and Juniors. Another drunkard followed the march on Sunday morning, and at the conclusion of the Holiness meeting, a message that the Lord was appreciated was sent to the Banding Officer.

### FAREWELL FOR WINTER.

Four Surrenders at Montreal, I. Corps for Week-end.

Our Sunday morning open-air, which, until quite recently, were only attended by the Band, are becoming popular, and several of the converts and a number of the Soldiers are attending regularly.

On Sunday afternoon our Young People's Sergeant-Major, Brother Dew, farewelled, for, as he lives out in the country, he will be unable to fulfil his duties during the coming winter. Brother F. Collins also farewelled for Newfoundland. At night, Ensign Wright led the lesson, and after a routing talk, four souls surrendered.

### SEVEN NEW RECRUITS.

Brigadier Aubrey Conducts Special Meetings at Bradford, Ont.

Brigadier Aubrey visited us on Oct. 8th, to enlist our prayers on behalf of The Army and the cessation of hostilities.

On Sunday last, Thanksgiving services were held, and seven recruits were enrolled.

The formal opening of a new Industrial Home took place on Oct. 6th, when Mayor Spence and Mr. F. Cockshutt spoke in appreciative terms of the work The Army is accomplishing. The Home, a residence of five doors from the Citadel, was kindly loaned to the Corps by Mr. John Allison.

Since the outbreak of war, times have been exceedingly hard here; for nearly three thousand have been thrown out of employment, and the opening of an Industrial Home has been practically a necessity.

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On Thursday, Oct. 8th, the Envoy conducted a Holiness meeting, and twelve fully surrendered. Sunday evening was the Envoy's farewell meeting. The Indian Chief of White Fish, said he loved the Envoy because he had not only told him of Jesus, but he had shown him the way to the Great Spirit. The Envoy's farewell meeting was a success. Brigadier and Mrs. McLean were in charge and Staff-Captain Peacock made the collection address. Thankfulness to God for his goodness and earnest prayer on behalf of our less-fortunate brethren in the war zone were the prevailing notes of the meeting.—W. G. S.

### PORT ARTHUR, ONT.

Our meetings, Oct. 3rd and 4th, were conducted by Captain and Mrs. Hedley Jones, assisted by Adjutant Larson, of the Scandinavian Corps (Winnipeg). The Adjutant was with us on Monday night. Two souls surrendered during the week-end.

The Meetings, Oct. 11th, were led by Captain and Mrs. Hedley Jones. One man held up his hand for prayer at the jail meeting. Our Harvest Festival was a success.—S. McI.

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### AN INTERESTING VISITOR.

African Missionary Visits Ingersoll, Ontario.

The Rev. A. E. Marangoupa conducted the services on Sunday, Sept. 27th, and in the afternoon gave an account of his life. A native of Maritima, he was taken from a hut, where twenty-four persons lay dead with fever, by Sisters of Mercy, and taken to a convent. Later an English gentleman heard of him, and he was taken to England and educated. Returning as a missionary to Africa he was taken by a savage tribe. He was rescued, in a very mutilated condition, after nearly three years, and is now travelling round the world telling of God's goodness to him, and the needs of the Dark Continent.

Sister Jeffries, of Toronto Industrial, and Captain Van der Ven, were with us recently.

### INDIAN CHIEF TESTIFIES.

Grand Progress Being Made at Little Current, Ont.

When the first Army meetings were held a few weeks ago in Little Current, Ont., Sister Mrs. Guy and Sister Walbridge, old Soldiers of Epson Corps, Eng., at once came to the front, and took part in the fight.

On Sunday morning, at the request of the Indians, we visited their reserve. Their joy was full at seeing The Army once again, and four surrendered. To-day The Army, Flag is flying there as an Outpost.

In the evening we again visited Little Current and held an open-air meeting. Mr. Ritchie kindly opened his hall to us, and three surrendered.

An invitation, which we accepted, was given us to hold meetings in the Churches.

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# WHAT HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN

## The Amazing Story of John Bryce

### NOTE TO THE READER

Jack Bryce, subject of the story, and as a Presbyterian minister, dating back to the days of Claverhouse. He left his native Glen for the Edinburgh University, where his father's hopes for his son to succeed him in the ministry were dashed by evil companions, who led the boy astray, and to his expulsion from college. The news hastened his mother's death, and a painful scene ensued between father and son. Jack met with a Highland regiment, and enlisted.

### CHAPTER XI

#### THE REGIMENTAL SERGEANT-MAJOR

**D**URING the next few years Sergeant-major John Bryce passed through all the grades of military life to the position we now find him holding. It was a hard struggle, for a soldier's life is not a bed of roses. Hard work, incessant drill, and very often privation, all go to make up the life of the man who follows the drum.

The earlier stages of a soldier's life are filled with much that can only be described as drudgery, but Jack Bryce had plodded on through it all. Now he held a position that is coveted by many and held by few; for there is but one regimental sergeant-major in each regiment. The man who is selected for this rank is generally chosen for various reasons. The first, of course, is capability for drill, and ability to command. The other factor in the choice is appearance. He must be smart looking and well proportioned.

The possessor of all these qualifications, Jack Bryce made an admirable sergeant-major, and as the holder of that rank is responsible for much of the drill of the regiment, Jack found that he held a very important office. His gentlemanly character and quiet dignity made him beloved by most of those beneath him in rank, and likewise, by the officers of his regiment. Of all things in the world Tommy Atkins

loves a man, and if that individual be a better man than himself, then the conquest is complete. Jack's brave conduct in Greece had proved that he was absolutely without fear, and to his men were ready to follow him anywhere.

#### Fitted the Position.

The sergeant-major of an infantry regiment does not carry a rifle, but wears a sword like an officer, and there were those who, looking at Jack Bryce, were quick to aver that the day was not far distant when he would yet have a higher rank. De that as it may, there can be no doubt that he fitted the position he held.

So perfect in many things, alas, that he should have been so lacking in one! Although none in the regiment had ever seen him drunk, yet it was common knowledge that John Bryce was a heavy drinker. So far he had been able to play with the enemy, and yet keep him at bay, but a day was coming when the accused thing would again lay him low.

Amongst his officers there was one who disliked Jack very much. Bryce had been drill sergeant when this young man joined the regiment, and had found him very troublesome when giving him instruction in drill. Because of this he had several times been compelled to report this officer to the adjutant. Consequently, Lieutenant Gifford bore a heavy grudge against the sergeant-major, but now that Jack held such a rank Gifford felt it would be somewhat difficult to accomplish anything against him, but resolved to wait and watch.

The Highlanders were still stationed in Malta, and by this time Jack Bryce was fairly well acquainted with the island. As regimental sergeant-major, when his day's duties were completed he was permitted to leave barracks dressed in civilian clothes. Although he was proud of his uniform, yet it was a luxury to throw aside the regimental dress and appear outside in mufti. Jack was very fond of taking long walks in the evenings to various parts of the country around Valetta, where they were stationed. Returning late one night to the town, his way lay along a little-frequented road. Passing at one part through a small thicket of trees his attention was attracted by a serenade. Listening intently for a moment he heard the strains of a young woman's voice crying in the Maltese language, "Let me go, you coward, let me go." Dashing through the trees he arrived in time to see a young Maltese girl struggling to free herself from the hands of his enemy, Lieutenant Gifford.

#### Encounter with Officer.

Filled with the deepest indignation, Jack sprang forward and seizing the officer by the coat collar, he swung him on his back in the road, saying at the same time, "So, sir, you have added to your accomplishments that of being a coward, have you?" Gifford, scrambling to his feet livid with rage, shook a riding whip which he carried in Jack's face. "Sergeant-major," he shouted, "you forget yourself, and I have had mind to lay this across your shoulders." That, sir, quietly remarked Jack, "I advise you not to attempt it." Turning to the girl, who was weeping, he advised her to go home while he dealt with the man who had attempted to insult her. Gifford,



Jack's return to Thrumdochy.

who was simply beside himself with passion, having considered in his own mind that it might be unwise to try his strength with that of Jack, contented himself by saying in a sneering tone, "No, I will not chastise you, Bryce, but I'll do something better. As soon as I return to barracks I'll have you placed under arrest for interfering with an officer."

"You dare not," came Jack's answer. "As soon as you attempt to do that, sir, I shall report you for conduct contrary to that of an officer and gentleman, and remember, I can also have the evidence of that girl against you."

Very well, Sergeant-Major Bryce, retorted the lieutenant, "you have beaten me in this trick, but as sure as my name is what it is, I will be revenged. Look out for me in the future, Mr. Purdy," he sneered, "for I shall never forget your interference, and you will live to remember this night yet."

A day went to come when this cowardly officer was to have the opportunity of striking a brave man in the hour of his great weakness, and Jack Bryce was to live to see his enemy's words fulfilled.

Now, as the weeks passed, Jack, heavily upon his shoulders, really longing to see his home, he wanted to have once more before him the old man who would "sleep with his tin" and had followed with interest and pride the regiment. When he saw the old man, he was not a little surprised to find him so old and so feeble. He remembered that he had never again in this life seen him so old and so feeble. He remembered that he had never again in this life seen him so old and so feeble. He remembered that he had never again in this life seen him so old and so feeble.

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### SURENESS.

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The mode of this—the way in which the Holy Ghost does it—may be quite beyond our comprehension, but the fact is there, as far beyond dispute as with the assurance of the blind man, who said, "This one thing I know, that whereas once I was blind, now I see."

3.—Then I also used the word "results," as indicating a class of evidence without which all other professed experiences are but passing sentiments and sensations. In the character and life there must be results in the shape of those holy fruits of which I have so frequently spoken.

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### Spiritual Fruit.

To illustrate my meaning, take one passage relating to that spiritual fruit described by the word love. "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren." Now, of course, that comes into operation at conversion, but in the fully sanctified this love without admixture of pure love, without any feeling of self to love. We can soon test which. Think of love in the forgiveness of injury; the love which "thinketh no evil," "envieth not," the love which "worketh no ill to his neighbor." Where does genuine love, brotherly love, or uncharitableness come in? Pride, passion, self-assertion, and such things being not, so the results of sanctification, the opposites are found in those who bring forth "fruits unto holiness."

I heard a good woman quote a passage with an application of her own which is true in point of fact, even if not the precise meaning of the original writer. "Great peace have they which love the law, and nothing shall offend them." She meant, literally, that, however she might be pained by the words or actions of those about her, she would not be "offended." This is a pretty high class of result, for nothing is more common than the readiness to take offense at the words or actions of others. But this refusal to take offense is, with the other fruits, clear proof that the heart and life are sanctified. So I might work out this law of results. The same sample will, however, indicate my line of teaching.

Now, coming back to my thought at a banquet—the necessity for "Sureness" in regard to religion, and especially in the experience of Holiness—let me ask, Where are we found? Let the testings confirmed

that certainty of heart, or have my words disturbed self-satisfaction? Do not be afraid of facing the direct issue. If you have the evidences referred to, then be sure to go about proclaiming what God has done. But, if not, then this unsatisfied and unsatisfactory condition cannot be persisted in when the Fountain which cleanses is open for all, and when the Holy Spirit is here to apply the Blood, and to take full possession of every soul. Let this be the hour when you come to the altar, round which the cleansing stream so freely flows.

### PROMOTED TO GLORY.

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for twenty-seven years he had been a faithful Soldier of Jesus and The Army. On one occasion he was asked by a hotel-keeper what he was getting out of The Army, to which Dad replied that he had a house and lot all paid for, which, but for The Army, he (the hotel-keeper) would have had. Our comrade's favourite song, "I'm nearer my home to-day," was sung, and the Band played the Dead March—H. A. W. J.

### Brother Thos. Jeffries, Port Hope.

Brother Thomas Jeffries, or, as he was better known, "Dad" Jeffries, one of the oldest Salvationists of this district, passed away to his reward on Sunday, Oct. 4th.

Our late comrade was seventy-five years of age, and had been a Soldier since the early days of The Army. Captain Goodhue, of Cobourg, conducted the funeral, which was largely attended. —V. C.

### WINTER PLANS LAID.

Plans for Winter's Work Discussed at Catalina, Nfld.

Captain Pick recently discussed the plans for our work during the coming winter with the Soldiers. We had a rousing meeting on Sunday evening last for we had with us a good number of Soldiers and friends returning from the factory. After a heart-searching meeting six souls surrendered.—Sis. M. Bugden.

### PRISONERS ASK FOR PRAYER

Soul-Inspiring Thanksgiving Services at Brandon, Man.

Our Thanksgiving Services were conducted by Band Sergeant Burditt, assisted by his daughter, Hilda. Five souls surrendered at the Holiness meeting, and at the prison meeting four of the prisoners held up hands for prayer. The Free-Press was enjoyed by all, and one brother surrendered. At night nine souls sought pardon—Band Secretary G. Maundy.

### WYCHWOOD.

Our week-end meetings were led by Captain Cummings. At the Holiness meeting the lesson on prayer made a great impression on a large crowd, resulting in five for consecration. Sunday afternoon we received our usual crowd of Soldiers and Bandsmen were present. At Sunday night's meeting a good crowd was present, resulting in one soul for Christ.—Band Sergeant.

### HAMILTON ILL. ONT.

On Sunday, Oct. 12th, Brigadier and Mrs. Adley visited us. At the Holiness meeting four comrades consecrated themselves, and at night two backsliders returned to the fold. Adjutant and Mrs. Poole are in command here. —E. F.

### WILL FIRE CARTRIDGE.

Dovercourt Comrade Farewells for Florida.

In Sister Mrs. Sprinlin, who, with her son, Corps Cadet Donald, is leaving for Florida, we lose a valuable asset to the Corps. She has been connected with the Corps for a number of years, and, as a token of her love for the old Corps, will send her cartridge regularly, by mail. Our Sunday's meetings resulted in five souls. Brother Whiffen, late of the Temple, was welcomed to Dovercourt on Oct. 11th, and the day closed with three seekers.—Robbins.

### "ONWARD AND UPWARD."

Rousing Meetings at Wychwood (Toronto).

Wychwood's motto is "Onward and Upward." Our drummed convert is standing firm. On Sunday morning one person came forward for consecration, and backsliders gave in on Sunday night. There were fifty-three at our Sunday open-air.—Band Sergeant.

### ST. JOHN'S II, Nfld.

Brigadier Morehen, assisted by Major Cave, conducted a farewell meeting on Oct. 2nd, for a number of our comrades who have now left for the front.

Stirring music was provided by the Band, and at the conclusion of the meeting, the farewelling comrades partook of a nice spread, provided by Adjutant Salisbury. We wish them Godspeed.—Frederick Moore, Bandsman.

### ORANGEVILLE, ONT.

We had Adjutant Thompson with us for the Harvest Festival. Brothers Decker and Turner, of Toronto, also visited us on Oct. 10th and 11th. We welcomed Lieutenant Sisco, from Vancouver, on Sunday evening.

### WINDSOR, ONT.

Our Harvest Festival was conducted by Ensign and Mrs. Layman. Since their coming quite a number of souls have surrendered.

At night, after a rousing address by the Ensign, several sinners surrendered. The spiritual condition of our Corps is greatly improved, and Soldiers' meetings are much better attended.—F. W.

### EIGHTEEN SURRENDER.

Rousing Meetings at Elliston, Nfld.

Large numbers attended our meetings on Sunday, Oct. 11th. The addresses were given by Captain Coveyduck, and before the close of our night meeting eighteen souls surrendered.—Lieutenant Barry.

### RED DEER, ALTA.

Treasurer H. Church and Candidate Langdon, of Calgary I. Corps, visited us on Oct. 10th and 11th, and led the meetings.

### PARLIAMENT ST. (TORONTO)

Captains Bobbitt and Sibley have received a warm welcome to this Corps. Captain Bobbitt is not a stranger to the comrades here, as she was a Soldier here for some time before she entered the Training College. Six souls surrendered at the welcome meetings.—Worster.



Facing the deck with tireless tread.



